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PASS FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

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SUBJECT: WITHDRAWAL FROM SALE OF DRUG PHENFORMAN

1. AUSTRALIAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN ASCERTAINING WHETHER AN ANTIDIABETIC DRUG, PHENFORMAN (MANUFACTURED BY CIBA-GEIGY) HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN FROM THE MARKET. PHENFORMAN WAS APPARENTLY UNDER STUDY LAST YEAR BY FDA'S ENDOCRINOLOGY SUBCOMMITTEE (UNDER A DR. PROUT) WHICH SUBSEQUENTLY RECOMMENDED ON OCTOBER 22, 1976 THAT IT BE WITHDRAWN BECAUSE OF SIDE-EFFECTS.

2. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IS HAVING MEETING WITH AUSTRALIAN DISTRIBUTOR OF PHENFORMAN ON TUESDAY MARCH 29 TO DISCUSS DISTRIBUTOR'S PROTEST AT PROPOSED STRICT REGULATIONS ON DISTRIBUTION. HEALTH WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO REFER TO ANY FDA ACTIONS.

3. AN EARLY RESPONSE GIVING DETAILS OF FDA ACTION WOULD BE APPRECIATED. PERCIVAL

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